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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Rewrite the paragraph starting at page 15, line 16 and ending at page 16, line 2 as follows:

-- This is followed by step S304, at which the voice recognition engine is started up to begin recognition of the user's voice entered from the microphone 113. Since voice recognition processing is well known, the details thereof need not be described. An outline of this processing, however, is as follows: The entered voice is converted to digital data, the digital data is compared with already stored voice data for recognition purposes, and the degree of similarity between the two is found. If maximum degree of similarity is greater than a predetermined value, it is judged that voice recognition has been performed normally and the voice dialing tag that corresponds to the recognition voice data having the highest degree of similarity is acquired. --.

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